

VLADIVOSTOK
COMES NEXTBelieved That Is Japanese
Objective Point.

FLANKING MOVE FEARED

Russians Are Inclined to That Opinion
Because Pressure on Their Front
Has Been Somewhat
Relieved.

St. Petersburg, March 28.—The impression prevailing in some military circles that the Japanese having removed the possibility of the main army in Manchuria assuming the initiative, will now turn their attention to the next objective of the war, Vladivostok, is strengthened by the despatch from Gungshu pass announcing the withdrawal of the Japanese from the immediate front of the Russian army for a distance of 35 miles south. It is realized of course that this may be merely a shilly to cover flanking operations, but it is not improbable that the Japanese having cleared southern Manchuria of Russian troops and secured a position from whence expulsion would be a long and difficult process, may be satisfied to hold the Tie pass line without further extension of communication.

While the voice of the Emperor's advisers is for peace if honorable terms are obtainable, the government, as is the part of wisdom, is going forward with all provisions for the continuance of the war. Preparations are reported to be making for the mobilization of five corps. It had been understood that the guards would be retained at St. Petersburg, but some of the officers of this crack organization believe their services have been requisitioned and are making preparations to that end.

WATCHING THE JAPS.

Linevitch on His Guard Against Flanking
Movements.

Gungshu Pass, March 28.—The Japanese have apparently withdrawn from the region to the south of the Russian front. Cossack patrols which have been making extensive reconnaissances southward, found no Japanese within thirty-five miles. General Linevitch is despatching scouting parties east and west to guard against a possible turning movement.

A number of Chinese bandits have been captured, some of whom are Mongolians.

DOKSTOUREFF DEAD?

Russian General Said To Have Run Up-
stairs Too Fast.

London, March 28.—The correspondent at St. Petersburg of the Times reports that General Dokstoureff, who was to start tomorrow to join General Kaulbar's staff in Manchuria, died yesterday as the result of a stroke from running up stairs in the war office to thank the minister of war for his appointment. Dokstoureff, who was 70 years of age and the hero of several campaigns, had begged to be sent to Manchuria, because he wished to die a soldier's death.

NOGI AT KIRIN.

Reported That Japanese General Has
Reached There.

Paris, March 28.—Echo de Paris prints a despatch from St. Petersburg saying there is a rumor that General Nogi has reached Kirin.

BEFORE END OF APRIL.

Ambassador of Great Power Believes
War Will End.

Birmingham, Eng., March 28.—The post says it has excellent authority for the statement that a memorandum outlining the terms which would be acceptable to Russia, in the event of peace, has been received from St. Petersburg, at the foreign office. A similar note was sent to Paris, the paper says. Already this is regarded as an act of great significance.

The statement is also made that an ambassador of one of the great powers on Friday expressed his willingness to make a bet, at five to one, that peace would be declared before the end of April, and this, too, is regarded as significant.

A SUICIDE IN MALDEN.

Mrs. Mary A. Keay Turned on the Gas—
Found Today.

Malden, Mass., March 28.—Mrs. Mary A. Keay, widow of the late David C. Keay, a wealthy provision dealer in Boston, was found dead in her home this morning, with the gas turned on. She left a letter asking that she be buried beside her husband.

JULES VERNE'S FUNERAL.

Great Crush of People Crowded Streets
of Amiens Today.

Amiens, France, March 28.—The funeral of Jules Verne, the famous author, was held today. Vast crowds of people lined the streets to pay a last tribute to him, standing bareheaded as the cortege passed. The hearse was completely buried with flowers. Military honors were rendered to the deceased writer at the funeral, owing to his position. Mr. Verne held a grand office in the Legion of Honor.

PRISON FOR HER.

Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick Gets Ten Years
in Penitentiary.

Cleveland, March 28.—Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick was sentenced yesterday to ten years in the Ohio state penitentiary by Judge Robert W. Taylor in the United States district court. The sentence came at the close of a busy day for the court in hearing arguments on a motion for a new trial. The motion was overruled. Mrs. Chadwick was not particularly affected by the action of the court. When ordered to stand up and receive the sentence Mrs. Chadwick did not hear and was assisted to her feet by a deputy United States marshal. The court asked her if she had anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced.

"I have something to say," she said, "but I would like to consult with my attorneys first."

"You may do so but it must be immediately," the court enjoined her, "if you have anything to say you must say it now."

Mrs. Chadwick said there was nothing she cared to say herself. Her attorneys made no appeal to the court and the sentence was immediately imposed.

Mrs. Chadwick was convicted on seven counts and sentenced upon six counts. For four of these counts a sentence of two years each was imposed. Upon two counts a sentence of one year each was imposed, making a total sentence of ten years.

SURPRISES HIS EMPLOYEES.

E. R. Fletcher Shoves Up Their Wages
Without Being Asked To Do So.

E. R. Fletcher, formerly of the Fletcher Granite company, but now doing a granite business alone at Woodbury, is a continual source of surprises, and it may be added, pleasures, for the thirty-five men employed by him. The scale under which the men work is 23 cents an hour minimum. But Mr. Fletcher doesn't stick to that as a minimum. Some time ago he shoved the minimum at his quarry up to 25 cents. Now he has just notified Secretary McCarthy of the International Union in this city that the scale has taken another shoot up the ladder. Since one week ago he has been paying 20 cents for a minimum. Mr. Fletcher says that he looked about New England and decided that his men ought to have 20 cents. The action was entirely voluntary on his part.

The quarry which he operates is one of the best in New England.

LABOR UNIONS ACT.

Every Union Is Asked to Withdraw from
the Civic Federation.

New York, March 28.—At a meeting of the Central Federated Union a resolution has been adopted calling upon every union to withdraw from the Civic Federation. It was further agreed to call a mass meeting and agitate against giving private corporations any more franchises for subways.

Adoption of these resolutions followed the receipt of reports from a committee sent by the Central Federation to confer last week with President Belmont of the Interborough Rapid Transit company regarding re-employment of men who lost their jobs as the result of the recent strike.

TOWN HARD HIT.

Louisburg, Minn., Reported Razed to the
Ground.

St. Paul, Minn., March 28.—A report reached this city last night that the town of Louisburg, in the western portion of the state, had been practically wiped out by a tornado and that seven persons had been seriously injured. It was also stated that from two to seven were killed, but it has been impossible to verify the statement.

Louisburg is a town of about 1,000 inhabitants in Lac Qui Parle county, and has neither telephone nor telegraph connection with the outside world.

BODY FOUND IN CREEK.

Young Woman Was Handsomely Dressed—
Severe Bruises Found.

Kingston, N. Y., March 28.—The body of a young woman was found in Walkill creek yesterday. She was apparently about 23 years old and handsomely dressed. A physician who examined the body says the woman was dead before being placed in the water. Efforts are being made to identify her.

There was a severe wound on the left breast and one eye was badly bruised. The body was in a state of good preservation. An autopsy will be necessary to determine the cause of death.

IN RECEIVER'S HANDS.

Trouble for Five Concerns Allied With
Book Lovers and Tabard Libraries.

Philadelphia, March 28.—Five concerns allied with the Book Lovers and Tabard Inn libraries, of which Seymour Eaton is president, were placed in the hands of a receiver here yesterday by the United States circuit court.

The establishments affected are the Philadelphia Bookstore company, Tabard Inn Press company, Tabard Inn shops and studios, Tabard Inn Drug and Specialty company, and the Tabard Inn Food company.

The liabilities, according to President Eaton's statement are less than \$150,000, and the assets exceed \$1,000,000.

AGAINST ROOSEVELT.

United States General Appraisers Find
He Possessed No Authority.

New York, March 28.—A board of United States general appraisers announced yesterday a decision in which they held that President Roosevelt possessed no legal authority to postpone for ten days the date when the Cuban reciprocity treaty took effect, as he did in his proclamation of the treaty.

MURDERED
IN PRISONConvict in Pittsburg Peniten-
tiary Kills Another.

ASSAILANT IN DUNGEON

Paul Kruger Attacked Charles Turner
With Knife and Latter Died Thirty
Minutes After Receiving
the Wounds.

Pittsburg, March 28.—Charles Turner, a convict in the penitentiary, was murdered at that institution this morning by Paul Kruger, another convict. Kruger stabbed Turner with a knife, death resulting in thirty minutes. How Kruger was in possession of the knife is a mystery. The men got into a dispute while at work in the bake house.

Kruger is now confined in the dungeon.

SUICIDE AFTER MURDER.

Lawrence, Mass., Man Killed Himself
After Shooting His Wife.

Lawrence, Mass., March 28.—Rene Nietus, a Belgian employed in the Washington mills, shot and killed his wife this morning and then committed suicide by drowning in the Merrimack river. Nietus was jealous of his wife and had lived apart from her for some time.

This morning he went to his wife's house, demanding to see his daughter. Being ordered out of the house he pulled a revolver and killed his wife. Then he rushed to the river and threw himself in, and although the water was not over his head and he was promptly rescued by passers by, resuscitation was impossible.

GETS SEVEN YEARS
FOR MANSLAUGHTERG. Viscome Who Shot F. Philippi at
Swanton Junction October 9, Sen-
tenced in Franklin County
Court Today.

St. Albans, March 28.—Giovanni Viscome, who was found guilty in Franklin county court Saturday, of manslaughter in shooting Francisco Philippi at Swanton Junction October 9, was sentenced this morning to not more than ten, and not less than seven years at hard labor in the state prison, by Chief Judge Rowell.

GET TOGETHER.

Rutland Mayor and Aldermen Settle
Upon Several Officers.

Rutland, March 28.—At a busy session held by the board of aldermen last night the vote taken at the last meeting on the nominations of Timothy Halpin and John Tanguay as regular policemen, was reconsidered and both nominations were confirmed, 6 to 4. These officers will succeed Ezra Deragon and J. McDonough. Resolutions appropriating \$4,000 to the Rutland city hospital, \$150 for improving Main street park, and a resolution for the purchasing of public scales were given a first reading. The nominations of 58 special policemen were confirmed.

PART ALREADY PAID IN.

American Board Has Received \$41,000
of Rockefeller's Gift.

Boston, March 28.—It was announced today that \$41,500 of Rockefeller's gift to the American Board of Foreign Missions has already been paid to the board and been in possession of the board some days. The question whether it shall remain and the balance of the \$100,000 gift be accepted will be decided at a meeting of the prudential committee this afternoon.

GRAND CONCERT TONIGHT.

Scotland's Greatest Contralto, Miss Tina
Crawford, and Miss Agnes Hyde at
Opera House.

The grand concert at the opera house this evening promises to be liberally patronized. Of the two artists who are to appear the press has the following to say:

The most notable item on the programme was the contralto vocalist. This excellent singer created quite a furor. Her first two items, "Queen of the Earth" and "Dark Locks," were given with a power and feeling beyond description. No one could listen unmoved to this grand voice. It fairly thrilled the hearts of her listeners.—Greenock Journal.

Next on the programme was Miss Tina Crawford. This lady reigns supreme as our greatest contralto vocalist. She sang magnificently and held her audience spellbound with her splendid rendering of "Queen of the Earth" and "The Lost Chord." The last item was a musical treat.—Glasgow Record.

Miss Hyde's Scotch dialect, when she used it, was perfect. She is one of the finest elocutionists ever heard in this city, and she is master, not of one line alone, but of every phase of the work.—Amsterdam, N. Y., Recorder.

Miss Hyde is a lady of more than ordinary histrionic talent, a favorite with her audience, and met with a warm greeting.—Boston Herald.

FAVOR A
PAID CHIEFCouncil So Votes, Four to
Three

AFTER HEATED DISCUSSION

Mayor Compares Montpelier With Barre
—Asks if We Are to Be Dictated
to by the Firemen of Barre
Makes Declaration.

By a vote of four to three the city council last evening declared that it was the sense of that body that it was to the best interests of the fire department that the chief be one of the permanent members of the department. This vote was taken only after a long and heated discussion of the question by the aldermen.

The meeting was called especially for the consideration of this matter, but not until considerable other business had been transacted was the recommendation of the fire committee taken from the table. These were "We also recommend a permanent fire chief, which in our opinion would be more satisfactory to the city as well as the fire department. After a wrangle over whether the discussion of the article should be public or in executive session, which was settled for open session, Alderman McKenzie set the ball a-rolling by stating he did not write the report and therefore wanted to ask what was meant by "permanent chief," was he to be in the station or out. Alderman Milne stated it meant one of the five paid men in the station.

Alderman Albisetti declared that in case of a still alarm only two men would then be available at a fire. He believed the first assistant should be in the fire station and the chief outside. Mr. Albisetti told how Campbell took Gladding to Providence and paid his expenses and how when he went to Boston on business he (Campbell) paid his own expenses. He thought Campbell a good man in the department.

McKenzie asked what special argument the other members of the fire committee had for a permanent chief. Adie replied that the fire department had cost a good deal, and some think it is costing a little too much. His reasons for a chief in the station were that in case of a still or general alarm the chief is there to go out with the apparatus; if he is outside some subordinate must take charge when the department goes out. His idea was to run the department just as economically as it can be and yet have an efficient department. "We've got a good station and a good department and I believe it would be more efficient with the fire chief in the station."

McKenzie declared all the experience Adie ever had with fire matters was in the last ten days. Presuming Gladding was going to be chief, what experience has he had as compared with that of Campbell? No city in the United States has a fire chief in the station, and he cited New York, Boston and several other cities. He declared it had never been done anywhere. If the captain goes there he looks after fires. He said he thought it a wiser policy to have the fire chief outside the station.

Milne asked if the fire chief was outside of the station and a still alarm was sent in where would the fire chief be to direct?

Adie said as to his own experience, he had been a fireman himself. He said McKenzie had declared Gladding hadn't experience. [Here McKenzie jumped to his feet to deny he had said any such thing and for a few minutes both tried to talk at the same time. The Mayor rapped for order and finally Adie was allowed to proceed.] Adie continued that McKenzie had declared Gladding had the experience of Campbell. Adie declared that Gladding had had as much experience as Mr. Campbell. If the chief is in the station he is there when wanted.

Burke asked Adie if he thought two men were enough to do the work?

Adie: With five men in the station they are capable of doing the work.

McKenzie: Didn't Adie say in committee meeting that he objected to Campbell because he was a saloon keeper?

Adie: I am satisfied with Campbell if he will go into the station and take the position.

Milne: If Campbell will apply for position I'll vote for him.

McKenzie, Milne and Adie then all tried to talk at once on the connection of Campbell with the fire department. The Mayor rapped for order and Alderman Snowden raised the point of order that the council was discussing men rather than the measure before them. He thought the aldermen from wards 4 and 5 out of order in bringing any names into the discussion.

Adie moved that it was the sense of this board that it was to the best interests of the fire department that the chief be one of the permanent members of the fire department.

This started the discussion afresh. McKenzie argued against it. Burke thought it would be more economical with five men paid \$25 monthly and a chief outside at little or no expense, which would be practically six men.

Adie wanted to know where the call firemen were to be all this time. When an alarm is rung in are they asleep all the time?

McKenzie said the present chief had been at every fire since the new department opened.

Snowden said there was no question of the good work the present chief had

done, but the question was, what is he to do now?

Mayor Barclay, who had not said a word in the discussion, declared that as the other members of the council seemed exhausted he would say a few words. He cited Montpelier in comparison with Barre. She had never spent the money on her fire department that had been spent in Barre, and yet the city had much lower insurance rates. If the department in Barre had made less noise and not made so loud a cry for a better department, the insurance men would never have raised our rates as they have. Montpelier has not as good a department as Barre, but her insurance rates are much less, because her firemen mind their own business. In Rutland the chief is paid \$950 a year. If a paid chief is not better, why did they adopt that method? She has 20 call men, we have 30. She pays her permanent men \$45 a month, we pay ours \$65. Quincy had been cited. Her chief was paid a yearly salary by the city. He kept his horse hitched up all the time, day and night. Would the present Barre chief do this? The citizens of Barre had got to where they thought the department was costing too much money. Who is to blame? The city council or the fire department? The horses of the street and water departments are being boarded outside. It was distinctly understood they were to be put in the fire station, when it was planned. The firemen now object to it. Are we going to be dictated to by the firemen? These horses belong in that station and they are going to be put there.

After a little more discussion a yeas and nays vote was taken as follows:

For permanent inside fire chief: Milne, Sordien, Adie, and Barclay.

Against: Burke, McKenzie and Albisetti, or four for to three against.

Previous to the discussion on fire department, the bonds of Chief of Police Brown, Overseer of the Poor Shurtliff, Patrolman Faulkner and Alderman Adie were approved.

License fees for pedlars, hotel and lunch rooms, pool and billiard rooms and bowling alleys, etc., were fixed the same as last year.

The communication of the city engineer as to work that ought to be done this year was taken up and discussed.

Adie thought the most essential thing was a sewer on the west side of the city and he thought it should be taken up at once. Albisetti urged that plans of city water pipes were badly needed, and Adie admitted the necessity, but it was not of so much importance as the public health. When it was stated a sewer for the west side would cost \$75,000 the mayor thought it was out of the question this year, so long as never a cent had been paid on the Main street sewer. The resurvey of streets was discussed and it was stated that Elm street was on record as a three foot street. It should be resurveyed and the city establish its rights in the same, but this would entail a law suit and it was thought best to drop the matter this year. The city boundary matter was put over. This discussion came back to water pipes. No maps or plans of the city system were ever made, and the longer the matter is put off the harder it is going to be to locate these pipes and gates and make plans. It was voted that the engineer be authorized to hire such help as necessary to locate all water pipes and gates of the city water system and prepare a map of the same.

It was voted to allow the city engineer and chairman of the street committee to go to Montpelier today at the request of the Central Vermont railroad, to assist in blasting out the ice near the Sabin bridge.

NEARLY ELECTROCUTED.

Royal Britton of Montpelier Badly Hurt
Today.

Montpelier, March 28.—Royal Britton, an electrician, narrowly escaped death by electrocution this forenoon on a pole near the Lane Manufacturing company shop. He is alive this afternoon and there is little expectation that there will be serious consequences. He was working on the arm of the pole and fell.

In falling he grasped a wire of the Consolidated system and received a tremendous shock. The inside of his hand was burned nearly to a crisp and a hole was burned in his heel. He lost his grip on the wire and fell to the roof of the Lane shop, where he remained. Physicians were called and they worked over him on the roof for half an hour before he was brought around. He is now at the Heaton hospital.

TO INTEREST THE CITIZENS.

Montpelier Will Have a Mass Meeting
to Consider a Celebration.

At a special meeting of the Montpelier city council called last evening to make preliminary arrangements for a celebration at Montpelier next October of the centennial celebration of the establishment of the capital of the state at Montpelier it was thought best in view of the general interest of the people of Montpelier in the proposed celebration, to call a mass meeting of the citizens and thus obtain the views of some of the prominent men of Montpelier as to the best method of procedure.

By vote of the council such a meeting was called to be held in the city court room on Tuesday evening, April 4 at 7:30.

IMPROVING FACILITIES.

Eastman Bros. Install Cash Carrier Sys-
tem and Cashier.

Eastman Bros. have just completed alterations and additions to their store which include a handsome cashier's office of oak and grill work, a Lawson cash carrier system, and have installed Miss Ethel Wishart in the office as cashier. These added conveniences were made necessary by their constantly increasing store trade, which has been one of steady growth for many years.

NOT A JOKE
THIS TIMEOscar Nickson Sentenced to
Three Years

IN THE STATE'S PRISON

Former Barre Young Man Got Sentence
Yesterday for Attempting to Hold
Up Dr. Smith of Plain-
field.

Oscar Nickson, the young colored man who was "only fooling" his wife when he told her that he was mixed up in the attempted hold-up of Dr. D. B. Smith in his home at Plainfield last May and who was found really concerned in it in Washington county court two weeks ago, got not less than three years nor more than four, in the state prison, yesterday afternoon. Oscar, who is of a joking disposition anyway, couldn't see any fun in that. The joke was still more on him when Judge Manson ordered him to pay the costs of prosecution. The little phantasy was continued when he went to Windsor today.

It didn't strike the Plainfield people as being funny, however, when a man rode into town last May on a horse, which, it was learned afterwards, had been stolen, and poking a revolver in to Dr. Smith's face, demanded his money, in lieu of his life. The stranger got neither, as the neighborhood was soon aroused and the marauder fled precipitately, without even stopping to unhitch the gray horse which had carried him from the Orris Hatchelder farm between this city and Plainfield. The incident happened while Nickson was living in this city. Soon afterwards he went to Berlin, N. H. It was there that he told his wife the joke. As usual with jokes, this one spread, and Deputy Homer Camp soon had Oscar behind the bars in this county.

While residing in this city the young colored man had the police hot-footing it one night to prevent him from committing suicide. When the police arrived at the residence on Pearl street they found Nickson was only fooling his wife again.

George Williams and his brother, Lawrence, of Woodbury were in county court yesterday afternoon to answer to information filed against them by State's Attorney S. Hollister Jackson, on the charges of breach of the peace and intoxication. Each pleaded guilty and was fined \$20. The charge was the result of their treatment of Deputy Carl Drennan of Woodbury who arrested that one of the brothers used the deputy as a punching bag and knocked him down. But the officer was game and collared his men. On their promise not to run away Drennan allowed them their liberty over Sunday. Sunday night the men started for Montpelier and the deputy, getting word of it, started after them. He got to that city about the same time and with some assistance landed them in the county jail. The men claimed they went to Montpelier to get legal advice.

CLEARING THE STREAM
WITH DYNAMITEIce Jam in River at Montpelier Resisted
Efforts Until Nearly NoonToday — A Grand
Sight.

Agreeable to the request of the Central Vermont railroad, City Engineer Allen and Alderman McKenzie, chairman of the street committee, went to Montpelier this morning to assist in removing the jam of ice which was piled up against the new Central trestle at the Sabin crossing and which threatened to carry out that structure. Ice has been piling up for several days, until it formed a menace to the trestle. Last night a train of ten loaded freight cars was kept on the bridge to hold it down. The attempt to clear away the stream below was kept up all day yesterday and then the workmen were not near the trestle. The water is falling and serious results are not feared.

The blasting is under direction of Street Superintendent Clark Roberts and Mayor Frank M. Corry of Montpelier. Since the work was first started the city has fired off 500 pounds of dynamite.

The Central Vermont R. R. is running its trains to this city over the Montpelier & Wells River R. R.

The ice went out shortly before noon. The sight of the ice going out was witnessed by several hundred people on the Red Arch bridge, and it was an imposing spectacle. The big jam lodged about three miles below the city and the water is almost up to the house of M. A. Nelson.

Fontana—Rizzi.

Rocco Fontana of this city and Miss Marie Rizzi of Westbury, R. I., were married this morning at the office of the city clerk, James Mackay performing the ceremony. Miss Rizzi arrived in the city this morning and was married immediately. Mr. and Mrs. Fontana will reside at 25 second street.

Trial of Nan Patterson.

New York, March 28.—Recorder Goff today directed the trial of Nan Patterson, charged with murdering Caesar Young, should begin April 10.